City of Milton-Freewater City Council Minutes

The Council of the City of Milton-Freewater met in regular session Monday, February 25, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Albee Room of the Library.

The following members were present: Mayor Lewis Key, Councilors Orrin Lyon, Ed Chesnut, Keith Woods, Debbie Kelley, Steve Irving, Brad Humbert and Youth Councilor Patsy Sandoval.

Staff members present were: City Manager Linda Hall, City Recorder Leanne Steadman, Police Chief Doug Boedigheimer, Public Works Superintendent Dave Bradshaw, Finance Director Dave Richmond and Accounting Supervisor Luke Billings.

Citizens present were: Christine Boedigheimer, Mike Onstot, Rob Tremper and Jeff Anliker.

Press member Melanie Hall of the Valley Herald was present.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

The consent calendar items consisted of minutes from the February 11, 2008 regular council meeting, Accounts Payable from February 7, 2008 – February 19, 2008. Councilor Kelley motioned to approve the consent calendar items. Councilor Humbert seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS: ANNUAL CITY AUDIT REPORT

Rob Tremper of Dickey and Tremper, LLC presented the city's annual audit report for fiscal year 2007. This was the second year Dickey and Tremper audited the city. Mr. Tremper stated there were revised Governmental Auditing Standards and new Statement on Auditing Standards No. 112. Mr. Tremper reviewed the different sections that make up the comprehensive annual financial report and reported that the city made improvements from 2006 audit.

Council left the Albee Room to participate in a tour of the police department at 7:30 p.m.

TOUR OF THE CITY'S POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Doug Boedigheimer led a tour of the city's police department dispatch center. Dispatcher Luz Orozco explained the different computer components and what each one was used for.

Council returned to the Albee Room at 7:45 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 946 AMENDING CITY CODE TITLE 8, CHAPTERS 4 & 5 REGARDING ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS – SECOND READING AND ADOPTION

Councilor Kelley moved that Ordinance #946 be introduced by title only and full reading waived. Councilor Humbert seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The City Manager then read the ordinance by title. Councilor Kelley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 946 Amending City Code Title 8, Chapters 4 & 5 Regarding Animal Control Regulations. Councilor Humbert seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2074 AMENDING DOG LICENSE FEES

Councilor Kelley moved to adopt Resolution No. 2074 Amending Dog License Fees. Councilor Humbert seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

PROPOSAL AWARD GOLF COURSE RESTAURANT OPERATOR

Public Works Superintendent Dave Bradshaw reported that there were seven request for proposals sent out with only two proposals being received for consideration. The two proposals received were from Phyllis Skillen and Allen Casteel / Shelly Gonzales. He explained after careful review the recommendation was to award the proposal to Allen Casteel and Shelly Gonzales of Milton-Freewater.

Councilor Kelley disclosed that she was a cousin of Mr. Casteel, but there was no financial connection which would constitute a conflict of interest. No Council or audience member objected to her participation in the action.

Councilor Humbert moved to award the proposal for the Golf Course Club House Restaurant operation to Allen Casteel and Shelly Gonzales of Milton-Freewater and directed the City Manager to negotiate the terms of the contract, reporting back to council at a later date. Councilor Chesnut seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

Mayor Key announced he was proposing the re-appointment of Diane Biggs to the Library Board.

Councilor Kelley moved to approve the re-appointment of Diane Biggs to the Library Board. Councilor Woods seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO APPROACH THE COUNCIL WITH ISSUES NOT ON THE AGENDA

Jeff Anliker, 125 W. Broadway – Stated he was concerned with the increasing gang activity in Milton-Freewater.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Hall announced that staff had submitted the Economic Opportunity Analysis grant application on Friday February 22, 2008. The Library kickoff for the "Big Read Program" is set for Friday February 29, 2008. The book being read is the *Joy Luck Club*. The Oregon Government Ethics Commission had sent out the reporting requirements which will be for all city councilors, city manager, city judge and planning commissioners. In the past the City of Milton-Freewater had been exempt. Now the requirements are for all cities and all must comply with the reporting standards. The document is very detailed and must be filed quarterly. Ms. Hall suggested having a study session with all affected to discuss this new requirement.

Council directed Ms. Hall to contact the League of Oregon Cities to find out what other Oregon cities are doing about the filing requirement.

| There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. | |
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| Lewis S. Key, Mayor | |